REMARKS

Claims 6-8, 12 and 18 are amended, which is supported by the description on page 6, lines 19-23. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-18 are pending.

In view of the above, favorable consideration in the form of a notice of allowance is requested. Any questions or concerns regarding this communication can be directed to the undersigned attorney, Douglas P. Mueller, Reg. No. 30,300, at (612)455.3804.

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